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Blossom, Texas

THE STAFF

VIVIAN RICHIE, BECKY CARTER, RITA BONNER, ELLEN BARNETT,

ALTA HAWKES (Not shown)
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Foreword

If, in turning the pages of this book, you recall some of the happiest hours, the best love scenes, and the valued friends of the past year; and if the pictures we have chosen will help to make your memories of your high school days more vivid throughout the passing years, then our purpose in publishing this annual has been fulfilled.

THE STAFF

Dedication

As a member of the faculty of Blossom High School since 1947, Miss Alta Hawkes has transmitted lasting values to all the students with whom she has come in contact. Her quick smile, keen sense of humor and wholesome philosophy of life are qualities that have won for her a place of high regard in the hearts of students, faculty and patrons of Blossom School.

Because of your friendliness and personal integrity, Miss Alta; because you put the achievements of your English students first; because of your enthusiasm and untiring interest in extra-curricular activities; with an expression of our most sincere appreciation, we dedicate this "The Blossom" to you.

The Staff

Superintendent's Message

In years past it has been my custom to congratulate the members of "The Blossom" staff as the book goes to press. Certainly, you richly deserve congratulations, but I think it most fitting in line with your teachings of Blossom High School, both by precept and example, that I use your fine production as a means of extending best wishes to the students of Blossom High for their great spirit during this past year, not only in academic work but in extra curricular activities.

Thanks to the faculty, school board, patrons of the school, for their interest in helping to make our school one of the best.

With your help, we may continue to build; perhaps not in a material sense, but build for future citizenship, better homes, a love for the good things of life, and for a peaceful world in which to live.

May the knowledge that we have gained, the friendships formed, be a lasting influence upon our lives, to such an extent, that in years to come we may look back and say, a job well done.

Sincerely,

Lynn C. Denton.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

To each one who has shown such a keen interest and deep loyalty to the Blossom School of 1951-1952 many thanks for such interest and loyalty.

There is much for us here at Blossom High to appreciate and this we do. Our School Board has provided us with the best possible. The patronage of the parents has been unexcelled. The work of the faculty has been excellent. The performance of our boys and girls has been magnificent in our scholastic and extra curricular activities. Surely we have enjoyed much.

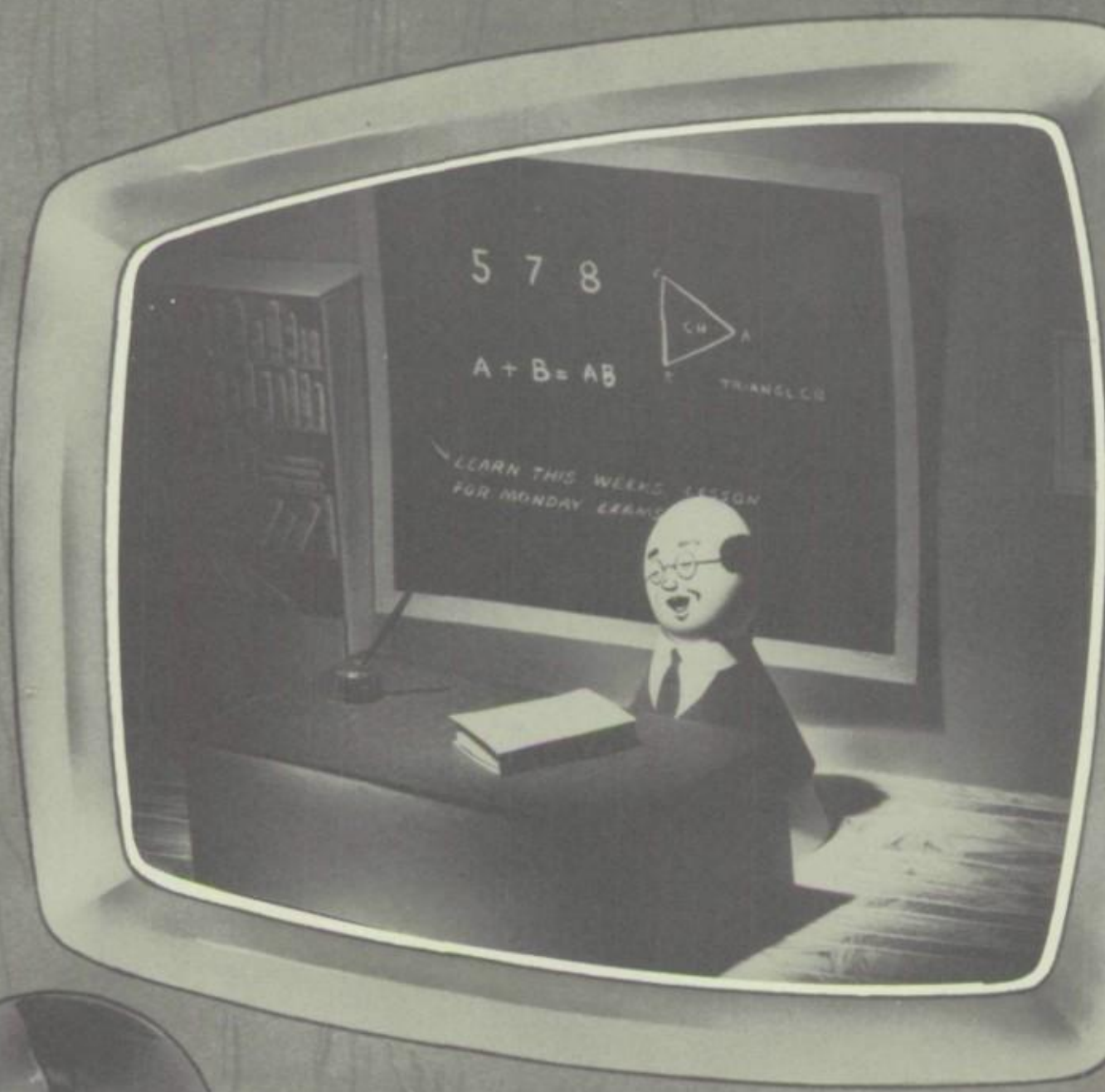
Our congratulations to our Annual Staff and its sponsor, Miss Alta Hawkes, for a fine book.

May the years we all spend in serving each other be such that we can always say, "I have fought the good fight."

As ever,

Leslie R. Echols

FACULTY



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Principal G.S. -Coach
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Eighth Grade

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Social Science
JULIA COYLE
Homemaking

GERENIA SPEAR
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English

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Class Officer 2,4; FFA Club 1,2,3; History Club 2,3; Class Favorite 2,4.

RITA BONNER
School Favorite 4; Pep Squad 1,2,3,4; Cheerleader 2,3,4; Class Officer 1,2,3; Science Club 2; 4-H Club 1,2,3,4; History Club 2,3; Choral Club 1.

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Seniors 1952

RAYFORD CAGLE
Basketball 3,4; Baseball 1,2,3,4; FFA Club 1,2,3; Class Officer 4; School Favorite 4; History Club 2,3; Lone Star Farmer 3; 4-H Club 1; Farm Boy of Month 3.

JAMES CRAWFORD
Basketball 2,4; 4-H Club 1; History Club 2,3 FFA Club 1,2,3; Class Officer 2,

JIMMY EDMONSON
Basketball 3,4; Class Officer 2,3,4; Baseball 2,3; History Club 2.

EVELYN LAYNE
Pep Squad 1,2,4; History Club 2,3, 4-H Club 1,2,3, 4; Choral Club 2.

BILLIE RUTH LEE
Basketball 4; Pep Squad 1,2,3,4; History Club 2,3; FHA 4; 4-H Club 1,2,3,4; Choral 2.

BILLY POSEY

FFA 1, 2, 3; History Club 2, 3; Science Club 4; 4-H Club 1.

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Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Captain 4; Class Officer 1; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Pep Squad 1, 2, 3, 4; Choral Club 2, 3; Student Council 2, 3; History Club 2, 3; FHA 4.

Seniors 1952

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JO ANN TAYLOR

Class Favorite 1, 2; Class Officer 3; Student Council 2; Science Club 2; History Club 2, 3; Pep Squad 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3, 4.

JOCQUETTA TOLBERT

Basketball 4; Pep Squad 2, 3, 4; Class Officer 4; History Club 2, 3; FHA 4; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Choral Club 2.

JACK TUCKER

Pep Squad 4; Class Officer 2; FFA Club 1, 2; History Club 2; Student Council 3.

SUE WATSON

Pep Squad 2, 3, 4; Class Favorite 4; Class Officer 1, 2, 4; History Club 2, 3; FHA 3, 4; 4-H Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Choral 1.

ROBERT WEEMS

FFA 1, 2, 3; History Club 2, 3; Science Club 4.

Seniors 1951

GARLAND ALEXANDER
LAVERNE ALLEN

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MORRIS BAILEY

BILL BARNES
A.R. BROOKS, JR.

NOVELLA CARTER
JACK DABBS

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JAMES GEERS

Seniors 1951

IVY HAM
JO NELL HOOVER

REGINALD JACKSON
NEWMAN LOW

VIVIAN MINER
DELILA MORRIS

ELIZABETH MOORE
DELWIN MORRISON

DONNIE MORRISON
MAURINE POSEY

Seniors 1951

VIRENE POSEY
ELIZABETH A. RICHEY

LILLIE ROBINSON
ANN SHANNON

BILLY SKIDMORE
BOBBY STEPHENS

BOBBY G. STOUT
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JAMES WHITE
MARGALENE WOOD
KENNETH WRIGHT

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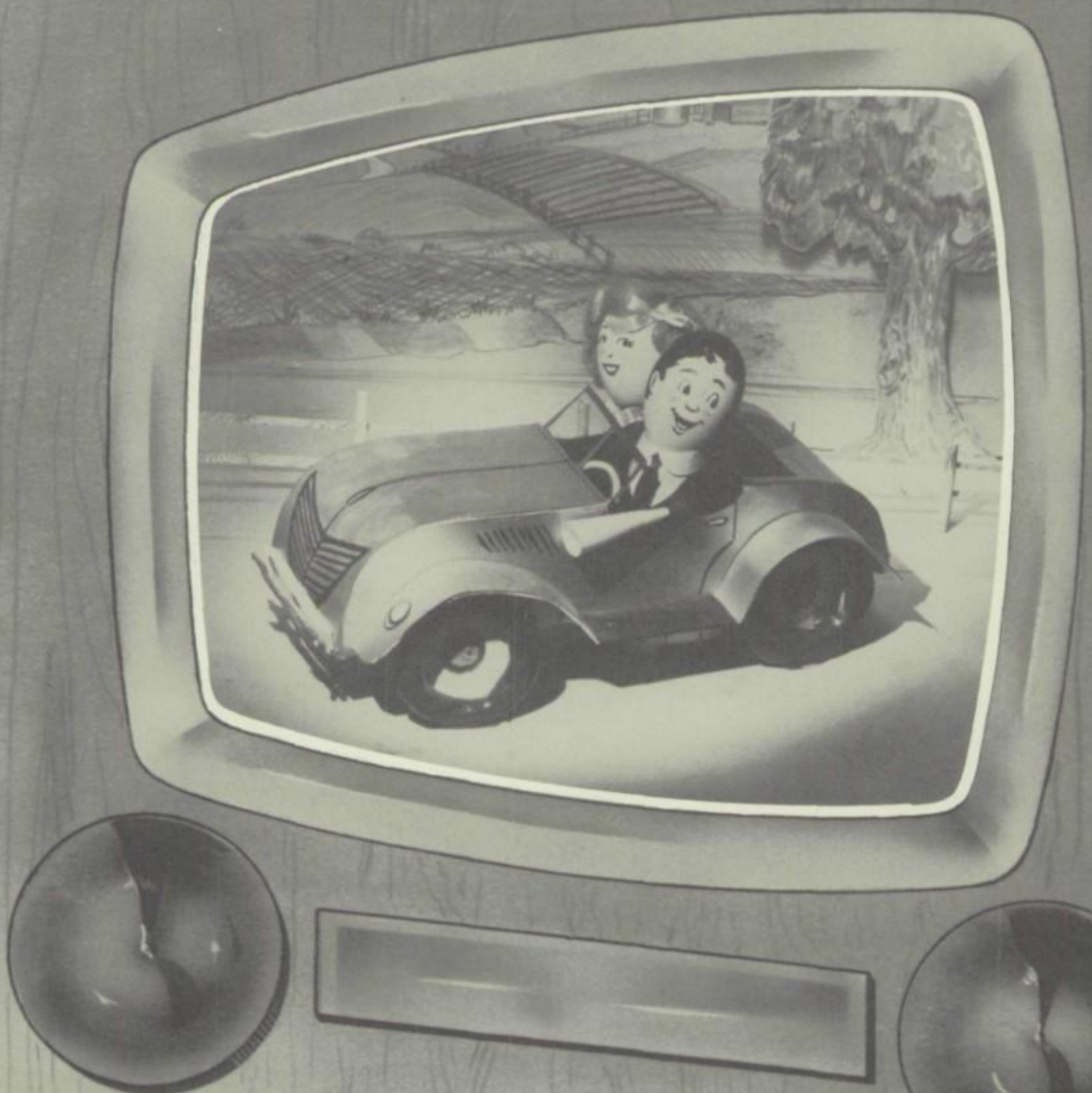

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CHARLES BAILEY

JIMMY BARBER
ELLEN BARNETT
JERRY BOX

BECKY CARTER
JOE DARNELL
DUANE DORRIES

SIDNEY EBBS
JOYCE FENDLEY
EDWINA HAM

NEVA HART
HAROLD HIGNIGHT
MARGARET HILL

Juniors

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BO JURY
HORACE MITCHELL

JUNE NICHOLS
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JEAN RISINGER
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LEE WEDDLE
JAMES WRIGHT

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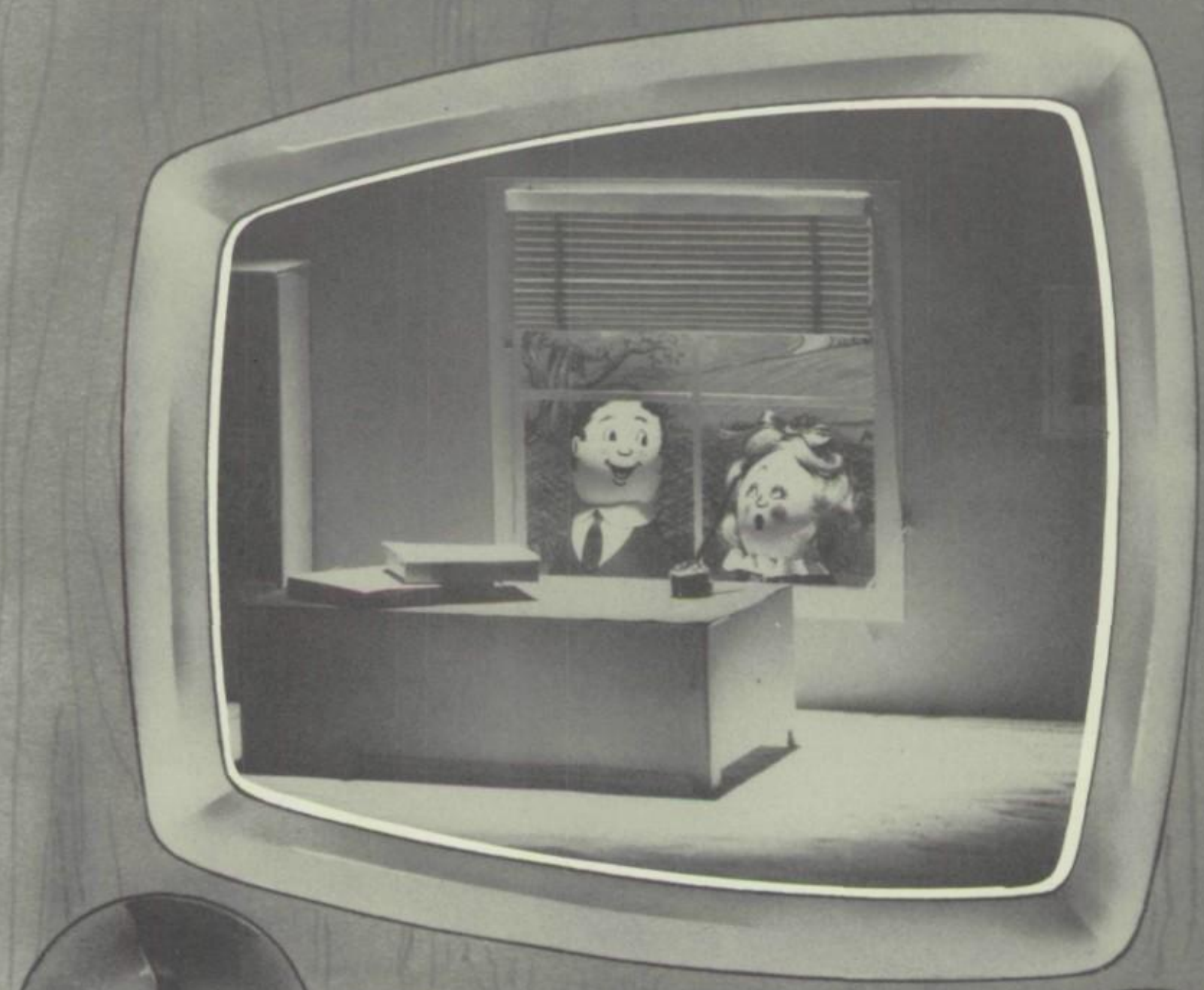

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Lawrence Hart | Buster Herron | Martha Hoad | R. E. Jaynes | Virgil Loveless

Sophomores

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Betty Posey | Bobby Sue Prince | Shirley Ray | Bobby Risinger | Harold Saunders

Eddie Scudder | Lowell Slusher | Monte Ray Vaughn | Charles Weems | Kathryn Westbrook

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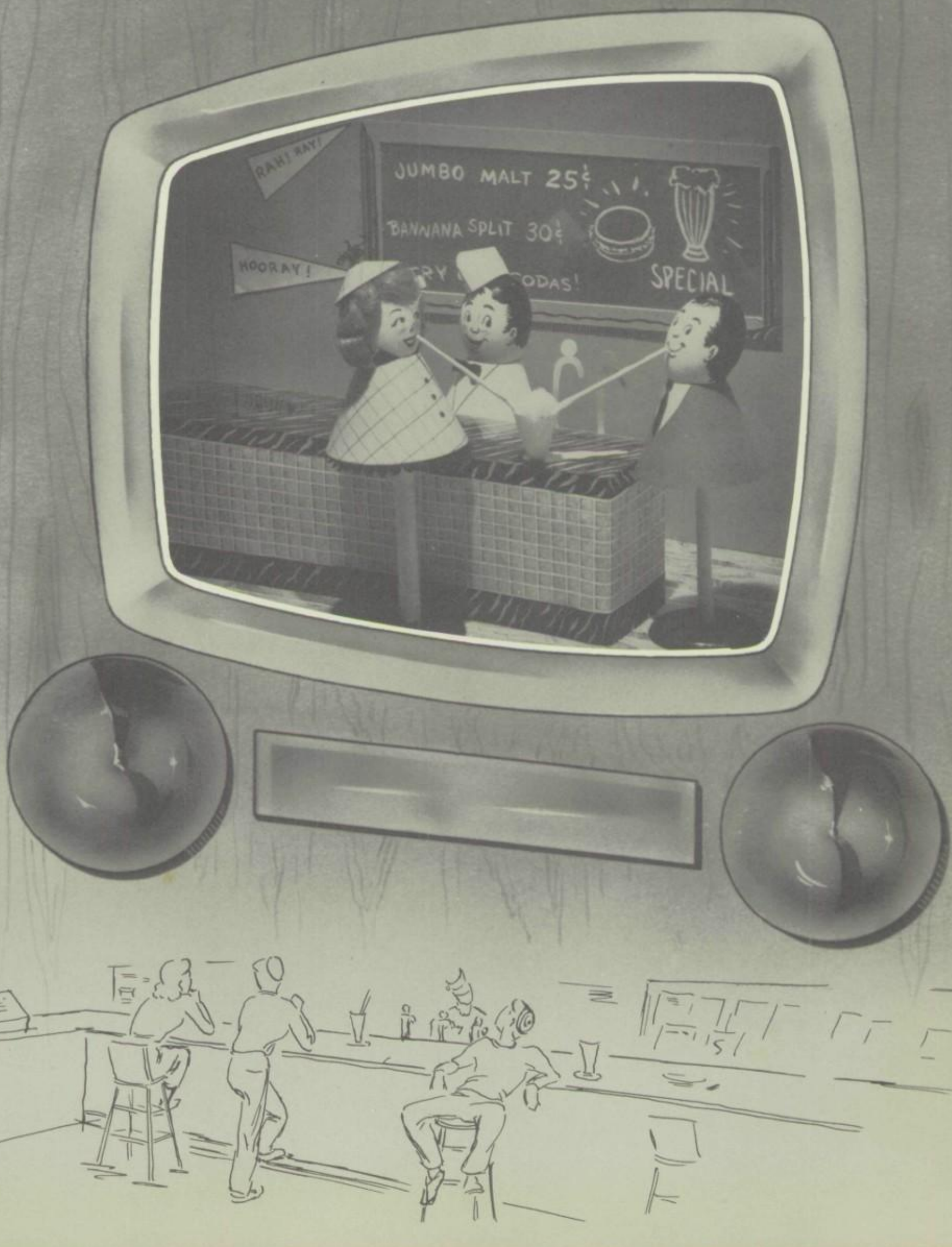

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Eugene Garrett

Weldon Hart
Peggy Herron
Polly Herron

Amelia Hignight
Merlynn Hill
Jo Jury

Bob Maddux
Juanita Miller
Duane Morrison

Freshmen

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Donald Parks
James Parks

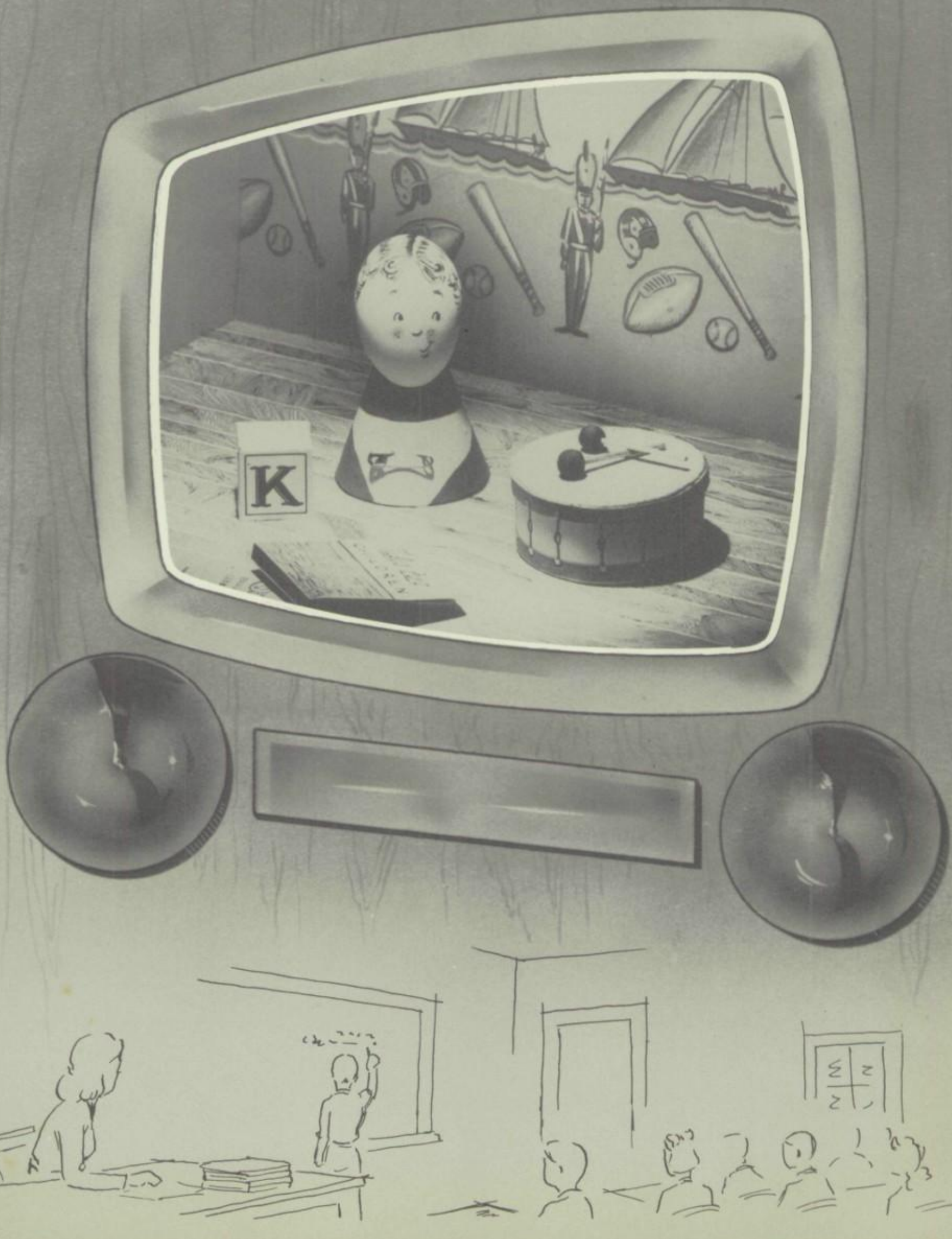
Claud Richie
Billy Risinger
Rosalie Risinger

Dalton Stevens
L. C. Stout
Marie Taylor

Billy Weddle
Alfred White
Jerrel Wood

Sue Whitley

ELEMENTARY



Eighth Grade

MR. STEPHENSON

MRS. MOORE

Seventh Grade

Sixth Grade

MRS. KINCAID

MRS. RHEUDASIL

Fifth Grade

Fourth Grade

MRS. ECHOLS

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Second Grade

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Juniors

ELLEN BARNETT CHARLES BAILEY

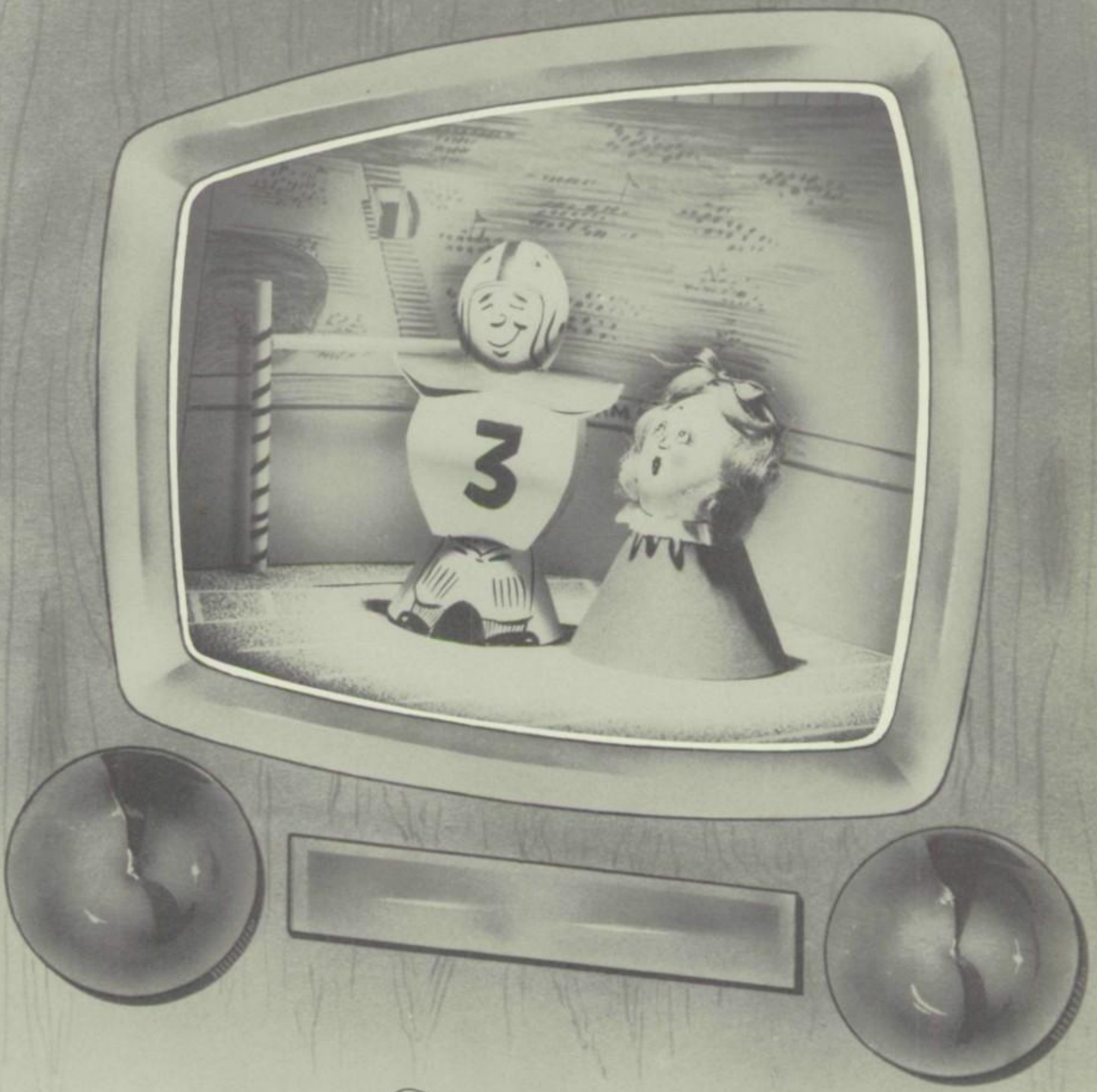
Sophomores

ROSALIE RISINGER BOB MADDUX

Freshmen

DOROTHY GRAVES BUSTER HERRON

ATHLETICS



Bulldogs

Manager-CALVIN PITTS

Coach-JOE BLACKBOURN

And

Coach-V. T. COYLE

Manager-NEVA HART

Bulgerettes

J. Allen

M. Allen

B. Bailey

C. Bailey

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Edmonson

Hart

Maddux

Nations

Rhodes

Vaughn

Weddle

Barnett

Blackbourne

Carter

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Graves

Bulgerettes

Ham

Lee

Pitts

Ray

Richie

Risinger

Sadler

Taylor

Tolbert

Conference
Champion

Vivian Richie

Individual
Scoring

Lee Weddle

At Central Tournament

Coach Blackbourne

Bob Bailey

Basketball Summary

BLOSSOM		OPPONENTS
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53 . . .	Cunningham	33
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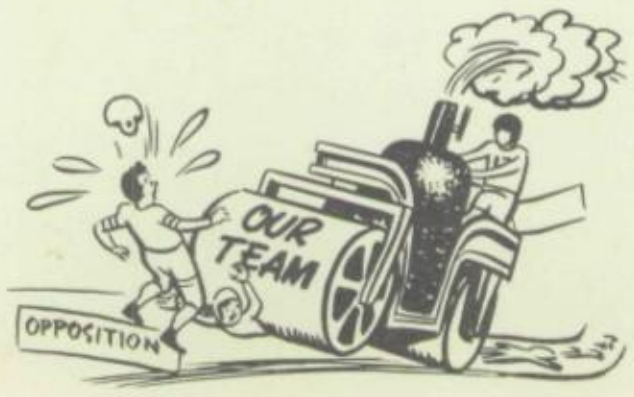

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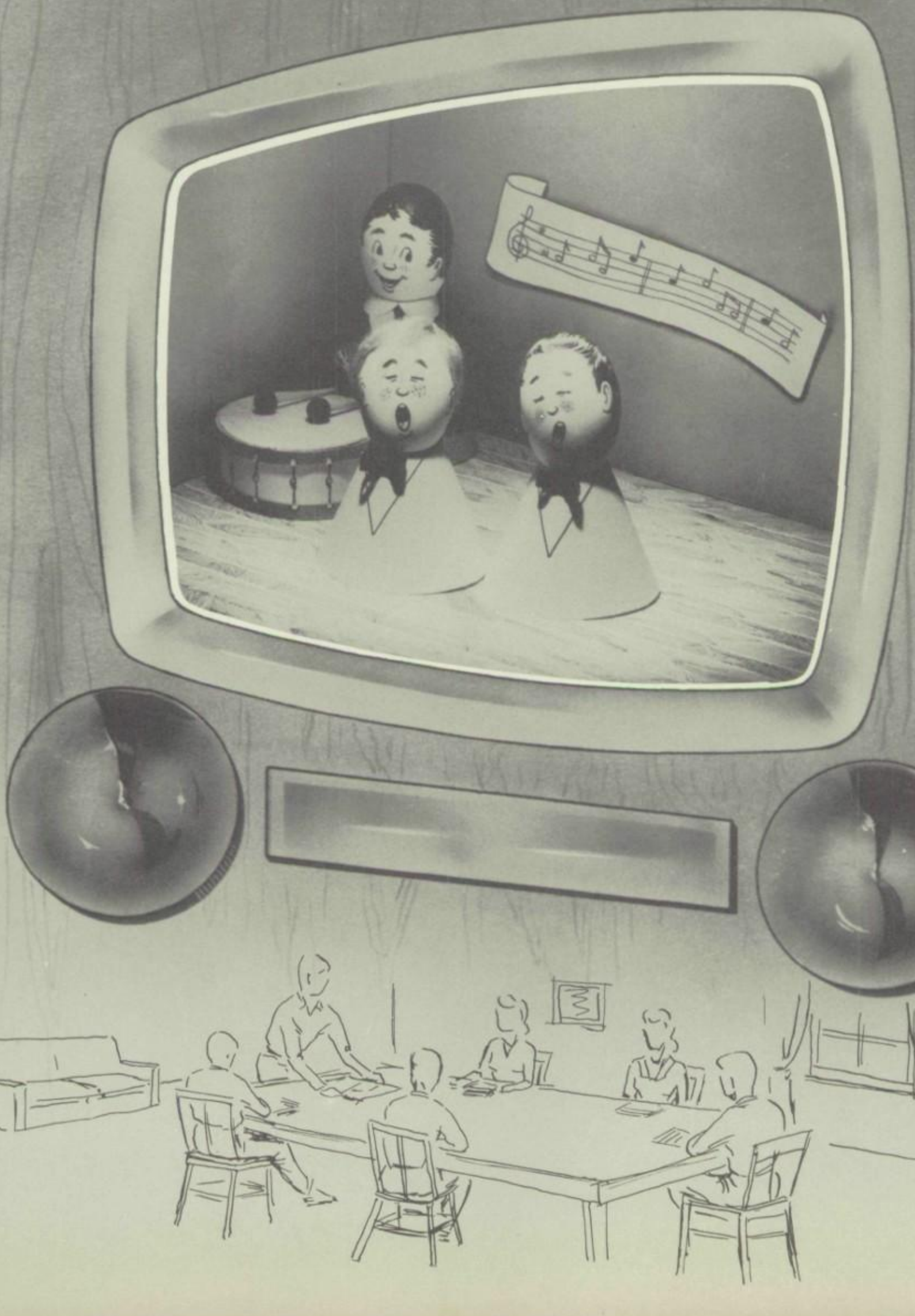

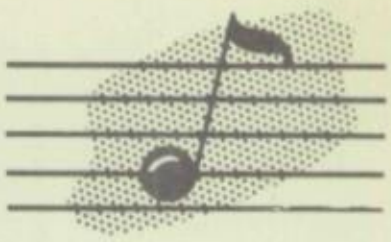

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ACTIVITIES

Why the buckets?

Where are Monte AND Bill?

Hungry Sophomores

We leave for home 3:45

Coach Coyle

Post Oak

ALVIN

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Freshman

Sue and B.D.

Aren't we cute?

Mrs. Bardwell

SylvAN

ELSIE DEE ELERY

Small fry

Two Bull dogs

DUANE

Cowboy Cagle

Two of A Kind

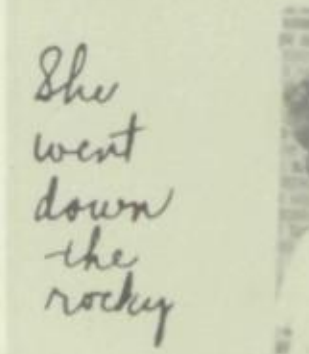
A FAERIE STORIE
or
Tippy-toe over the Rocks

A TV story produced especially and exclusively for The Blossom

Once upon a time a

Meek (Meeks)

little girl called Tippy-toe wanted to go out in the great wide beautiful world. Her mother packed her a



Box

of

Ham

sandwiches; put a

Nichol (Nichol)

in her pocket; and told her to be back by six o'clock.

She went down the rocky

LAYNE

to the big

RHODE (RHODES)

until she came to a

PARK (PARKS)

She began to pick

Posies (Poseys)

and in her wanderings soon came to two

Brooks

which went

Gurley! Ingleby!

By the

Westbrook

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she found a little

WHite

ChApel (ChAnnell)

She opened the door and went in. At her left was a small

Booth

which contained a

DAvenport

She lay down and finding this bed just

Wright

she was soon fast asleep. In the meantime, a

Prince

who rode a

Camel (Campbell)

had gone that day into the

Wood

He carried his

HAWK (HAWKes)

on his hand and for his weapon he had a

Stout

SpeAr

As he rode over the

Hills

he saw two

HArts

and in the

OutlAnd

he captured one. He put his game into a

Pitt

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because he wanted to

Hurry-on (Herron)

through the wood. At last he came to the little church and found Tippy-toe fast asleep. She confessed that she was lost and promised him that if she could only get home once again she would never leave. He

took her home (Tucker)

and she lived happily there ever after.

THE END

This story came from

ENGLAND

To this

NATION

Editor's Note: This story is told neither

Wisely

Nor

Well (Pitt)

Blossom High School *Blossom, Texas*

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For old Blossom's honor
We will fight on;
We will be fighting
When the day is done.
And when the dawn comes
We will still be fighting
Onward for the green and white
We will be fighting for Blossom High!

When the day is over,
And the work is done;
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When our teams
Have won their victories victories
We will still be fighting
Onward for the Bulldogs true;
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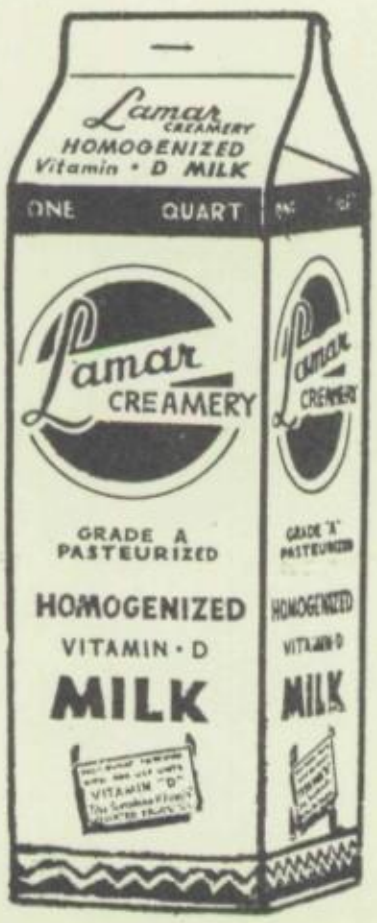

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